

The Beholder #14

I'll break the news to you right off; I'm folding TB. The main reason is that I've simply 'burned out'; lost interest in publishing. Now to the immediate business; I can eulogize later if I have the space.

If you're a player, and not trading, your game will be re-housed soon. I have a five-game guarantee with Andy Lischett, but I don't intend to make him take that many, so only two or three of you will have the great good fortune of moving there. What Andy doesn't take will be handed to the illustrious Canadian Dip Organization OGP officer, Randolph Smyth; hopefully he (or Dick Martin and his bunch) can find publishers willing to take the games that remain, and I'll see to it that they're good homes. Paying players' money will be sent to their new home to comprise their sub credit there; traders will have to make their own arrangements. If you're a non-playing subber/trader, your trade (if any) is cut ~~xxxxxx~~, and subbers' money will be returned. This could take a month and a half (folding is hard work!!), but I guarantee you'll get any substantial sum of money back. Rest assured that I won't rest until every account due is settled.

I am also resigning from a lot of games in zines I trade with. Those zines are Ron Brown's, ~~xxxxxx~~, Tony Watson's, Tom Swider's, and Drew McGee's. This will further cut down my commitments. Guys, if you can resign me immediately without an NMR, please do so; if it's too late in the season, just send a copy of the results and I'll send a final set of orders. The intent here is not to NMR anywhere, but to do it right.

I guess I do owe you a good explanation. I just can't publish anymore; can't muster the energy and enthusiasm. I have no regrets about the last 1.1 years, though; there were good times and bad. If I do feel pleases that I got to meet so many of you; lot of nice people I ran across.

(By the way, both Hippogriff and Ettin started; most of the players had to wait a long time, so I'll transfer them too.)

Looks like Bob's subzine is orphaned; goodbye and good luck, Bob, and if and when you go full-sized, and ever need advice or help, you know who to come to. Same for the rest of you; I've made a lot of friends that I hope I'll know for a long time.

But I'll still be around, a little. The hobby is still fun; I just got such a big bite I nearly choked. I don't die easy. And thank you all for a lot of good memories and times; God bless and keep you all. ~~Good~~ Goodbye all, and thanks again.

Best,

John Kelley

PS. IF you were/are going to vote in the NA zine poll, please vote for me anyway; I'd like to see what you think.

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